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Koning et al.

Application No.: 10/761893

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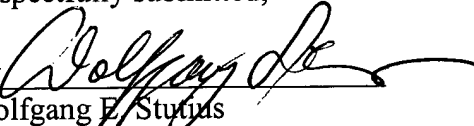
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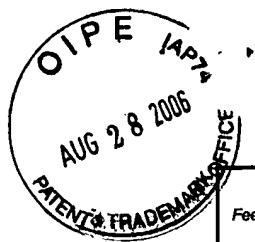
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Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
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